

El Rancho Verde MAC Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 9, 2005

Council Members Present:

Robb Bourland

William Hughes

Joe Ayala

Lacy Kendall - Alternate

Agenda

The chairman went over the agenda.

Minutes

Chairman Bourland, seeing no corrections to the minutes, accepted the minutes as printed.

Swearing In

The new officers of the El Rancho Verde MAC were sworn in by the Clerk of the Board.

Supervisor Gonzales congratulated the new offices and thanked Ray Talbott for his service on the board. She thanked the officers and entrusted them to serve the community of El Rancho Verde objectively. She then introduced Rialto Councilmember Ed Scott.

City of Rialto

City of Rialto Councilmember Ed Scott and Rialto City Planner, Mike Story spoke about the following issues:

- The I-10 over pass and expansion moving forward at Sierra and Riverside.
- He told the group that the City Council has decided to pay half of the costs of the Oleander removal along the median at Riverside as long as the community wants it.
- N.E. Corner of Highland and Riverside proposed commercial development. He said there would be a meeting with the residents of the El Rancho Verde area to get their input.
- Lytle Creek Development is putting up a housing development to the North of the El Rancho Verde area. The city will want input on this development as well.
- He discussed LAFCO and their push for cities to annex areas and square off boundaries. He also said that the City of Rialto will not annex the El Rancho Verde area against their will. He said that the city would like to welcome El Rancho Verde area into the city and talked about the advantages of being part of the city.
- The 2-10 Freeway construction is moving ahead of schedule and going very well.
- The Pepper Avenue Interchange is scheduled to be completed 2008-2009.
- The City of Rialto has taken a pro-active stance against sex offenders and group homes both unlicensed and licensed in the city of Rialto.

Councilmember Scott then took questions from the group regarding all the above issues. There was a lengthy question and answer period.

Reports

Joy Ellington – Field Representative

Joy Reported that the 4th of July Fire according the County Fire Department was undetermined as far as cause. The City of Rialto Fire Department was the lead agency on this fire. The Council asked for a report back from the Rialto Fire Department regarding this issue because this fire is more than a little suspicious. She reported that Los Padrinós continues to do the clean up twice a month until the end of the year.

Jeff Rigney – Special Districts

Mr. Rigney reported on what special districts could do for an area like El Rancho Verde. Joe Ayala made a motion to have Jeff start the process and put some preliminary facts and figures together to begin looking at the possibility of creating a special district for El Rancho Verde. Bedelia Valdez-Bovin 2nd the motion. All were in favor.

He also answered questions from the group.

The rest of the agenda items were tabled due to time concerns. The next meeting will be September 13th and will focus on the median issue and getting it resolved. Ed Scott also reported that all members of the MAC and community are welcome and encouraged to attend the Rialto City Council meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm

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